





Technology Deployment





In Situ Underwater Gamma Spectroscopy

Problem

INEEL's Decontamination and Decommissioning project needed to characterize radioactive objects stored in the Material Test Reactor's fuel storage canal.

Baseline Technology

Remove object or representative sample, package, and transport for off-site analysis.

Innovative Technology

The In Situ Underwater Gamma Spectroscopy system allows characterization of whole radioactive objects at depths up to 35 feet.

Comparison

This system eliminated the need for removal, packaging, and transport of samples.

Benefits

This system enabled the project to reduce worker exposure, accelerate schedule, and accrue a cost avoidance associated with sampling, transport, off-site analysis, and management of secondary waste (approximately \$10,000 per sample).

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